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- comments on NIS Burms noted in referenced letter are appreciated, particularly the private sector freight figures cited. In the Burms Section 33, Inland Waterways, one of the production difficulties at the time of compilation (1962) was the unavailability of adequate statistical data for private transport sectors.
- 2. In retrospect, the study would have benefited if information relating only to state sectors had been more forcefully qualified; the importance of private sector waterway transport should have been more distinctly emphasized. These same considerations also apply to the Burma Section 31, Railways, and to other NIS published on Burma which include reference to inland waterways.
- 3. Discussion of the relative importance of Burma's waterways will be appropriately revised in future editions of the NIS.

Sincerely,

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